

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pursuant to the objection to the title, a new title is supplied herewith.

Pending claims 1, 8, 11, 15 and 18 have been amended to overcome the objection to the claims. Similarly, claims 19 and 21-24 and 27 have been amended to overcome the objections thereto. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that these objections to the claims be removed.

Pending claims 1-8, 11, 18-19, and 21-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 5,561,458 (Cronin). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. With regard to claim 1, Cronin nowhere discloses a circuit board on which a light detector and imager are located. Instead, the only circuit boards of Cronin are disposed within the areas of the film cartridge and take-up spools. The area behind the film shutter is merely a base plate. Cronin, col. 5, lns. 34-38. For at least this reason, claims 1-8 and 11 are patentable over Cronin.

As to amended claim 18, nowhere does Cronin disclose controlling a shutter of a photocard located in a film cavity of a non-digital camera. In this regard, nowhere does Cronin teach that any of the components inserted into a non-digital camera includes a separate shutter from a shutter of the non-digital camera. Accordingly, for at least this reason claims 18-19 and 21-24 are patentable over Cronin.

The rejection of claims 15 and 27 under §103 over Cronin in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,699,458 (Sprague) is overcome, as there is no motivation to combine the system of Sprague, which transfers data via computer systems, with the still camera of Cronin.

New dependent claims 30-38 are patentable at least for the same reasons discussed above regarding claims 1 and 18.

New independent claim 39 is patentable, at least because none of the cited art teaches or suggests a photocard for insertion into a non-digital camera that includes an integrated circuit including an imager, a processor and a memory. That is, nowhere does Cronin or any of the other references teach or suggest an integrated circuit including an imager, a processor, and a memory. For at least this reason claims 39-43 are patentable over the cited art.

Enclosed herewith is a terminal disclaimer to overcome the non-statutory double patenting rejection over U.S. Patent No. 6,278,481.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. The Commissioner

is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504.

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